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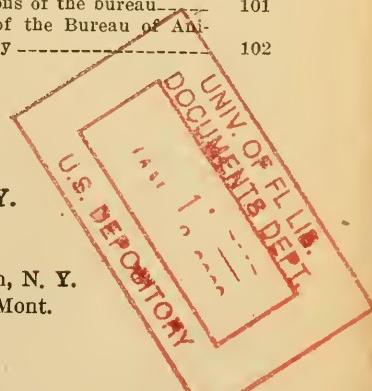
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CHANGES IN DIRECTORY.

Meat Inspection Withdrawn.

- 254 International Preserving Corporation, Brooklyn, N. Y.
- 3-AY Swift & Co., 2707 Minnesota Avenue, Billings, Mont.
- 833 Freise Packing Co., St. Louis, Mo.
- 370 D. B. Martin Co., Baltimore, Md.
- 936 The Wm. Davies Co. (Ltd.), Chicago, Ill.



Meat Inspection Temporarily Suspended.

421-A Allied Packers (Inc.) and W. S. Forbes & Co. (Inc.), Hermitage Road, Richmond, Va.

985-A J. T. Polk Co., Mound City, Ill.

287 Rosslyn Packing Co., Rosslyn, Va.

998 Gorgin & Tyirin, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Changes in Names of Official Establishments.

- *196 Wilson & Co. (Inc.) and Wilson & Co., Wilson-Martin Co., subsidiaries, Thirtieth and Market Streets, Philadelphia, Pa., instead of D. B. Martin Co.
- *196-A Wilson & Co. (Inc.) and Wilson & Co., Wilson-Martin Co., subsidiaries, Thirty-sixth and Grays Ferry Road, Philadelphia, Pa., instead of D. B. Martin Co.
- *196-B Wilson & Co. (Inc.) and Wilson & Co., Wilson-Martin Co., subsidiaries, Union Stock Yards, Baltimore, Md., instead of D. B. Martin Co.
- *295 Wilson & Co. (Inc.) and Wilson & Co., Wilson-Martin Co., 209 Orange Street, Wilmington, Del., instead of Wilmington Abattoir & Cold Storage Co. and The D. B. Martin Co.
- 11-A Allied Packers (Inc.) and Batchelder & Snyder Co., subsidiary, 47-63 Blackstone Street, Boston, Mass., instead of Batchelder & Snyder Co.
- 11-B Allied Packers (Inc.) and Batchelder & Snyder Co., subsidiary, Constitution Wharf, 409 Commercial Street, Boston, Mass., instead of Batchelder & Snyder Co.
- 162 Christian Seiler, 2719 West Susquehanna Avenue, Philadelphia, Pa., instead of Herman Ernst & Co.
- *898 Peerless Packing Co., 3940 Normal Avenue, Chicago, Ill., instead of Peerless Packing & Provision Co. and Standard Slaughtering Co.
- *888 William Davies Co. (Inc.) and Wm. Davies Co. (Ltd.), John Agar Co., subsidiaries, 4100 Union Avenue, Chicago, Ill., instead of the inspection heretofore granted at Establishments 888 and 936, which will be conducted under the one number, 888.

Stations Added.

Cheyenne, Wyo., tuberculosis eradication, Dr. John T. Dallas, care State Veterinarian.

Stations Discontinued.

Rosslyn, Va., meat inspection (substation of Washington, D. C.).

Mound City, Ill., meat inspection (substation of National Stock Yards, Ill.).

Changes of Officials in Charge.

Billings, Mont., Dr. J. E. Ewers instead of Dr. E. V. Beaumont.

Leavenworth, Kans., Dr. E. V. Beaumont instead of Dr. C. C. Walch.

Notes.

Meat inspection extended at Establishment 315, Thrift Packing Co., Dallas, Tex., to include J. Delgado Manufacturing Co.; Establishment 20-A, Wilson & Co. (Inc.), Kansas City, Kans., to include also Empire Provision & Produce Co.; Establishment 20-Q, Wilson & Co. (Inc.), Oklahoma, Okla., to include also Empire Provision & Produce Co.

* Conducts slaughtering.

Remove name of Dr. R. N. Mead, Salt Lake City, Utah. Hog-cholera-control work will be continued under the supervision of Dr. F. E. Murray.

Remove name of Dr. W. H. Rose, 326 U. S. Barge Office, New York, N. Y. The international inspection and quarantine of livestock will be conducted under Dr. A. E. Rishel.

NOTICES REGARDING MEAT INSPECTION.

MEAT AND MEAT FOOD PRODUCTS OF TSINGTAU, CHINA, NOT ELIGIBLE FOR IMPORTATION.

On July 28, 1920, the Acting Secretary of Agriculture issued Notice No. 3, regarding the importation of meat and products from Tsingtau, China, by which it is ordered that the names of Heikichi Deguchi and K. Kitazato, of Tsingtau, China, be removed from the list of foreign officials authorized to sign and issue inspection certificates for meat and meat food products for importation into the United States. The two officials above named are the only ones heretofore recognized as eligible to issue foreign meat-inspection certificates for meat or meat food product of the Tsingtau district for importation into the United States. Therefore the notice in effect excludes from the United States all meat and meat food product of Tsingtau, China.

CHANGE IN ASSIGNMENT OF TERRITORY OF ST. LOUIS AND KANSAS CITY LABORATORIES.

The following change is made in the assignment of territory to the meat-inspection laboratories:

All of Oklahoma, that part of Arkansas and Louisiana lying west of the ninety-second meridian, and that part of Texas lying east of the ninety-ninth meridian, are transferred from the territory of the Kansas City laboratory to that of the St. Louis laboratory. Hereafter all stations within the territory affected will submit samples to the St. Louis laboratory instead of to the Kansas City laboratory. Substations will be considered as in the same territory as the station to which they are attached.

M. I. FORM 112-F REPORTS.

For the purpose of lessening the time required for the preparation of the M. I. Form 112-F reports covering the final post-mortem disposition of swine retained on account of tuberculosis, inspectors in charge of meat inspection are advised that the following indicated modification in the rendering of such reports may be adopted whenever the same is found to serve such purpose.

Carcasses which on the final post-mortem examination are found to fall within the following three classes may be appropriately grouped and reported as a group without showing the serial number of the retained tags used, namely, (a) carcasses having slight lesions in the cervical glands only, (b) carcasses having slight lesions in the mesenteric glands only, and (c) carcasses having slight lesions in the cervical and mesenteric glands only.

The number of carcasses disposed of in each of the above-indicated groups shall be shown in the report. Such statement should be entered on the last original and duplicate sheet of the M. I. 112-F report for the day in the manner here illustrated.

Unlisted tags, as follows:

Retained for tuberculosis; slight, in cervicals only-----	43
Retained for tuberculosis; slight, in mesenterics only-----	11
Retained for tuberculosis; slight, in cervicals and mesenterics only-----	6
Total -----	60

The figures for each group should appear in the columns marked "Sex" and "Condition."

This modification applies only to the classes of carcasses indicated above. For all other retained carcasses the tag numbers shall be entered and the lesions indicated as provided in previous instructions on the subject.

GELATIN LABELS.

Referring to the notice under the caption "Arrangements for special labels" in Service and Regulatory Announcements of December, 1914, the bureau is informed that the Chemical Paper Co., Washington, D. C., is now operating under the patent rights originally used by the Standard Label Co. Accordingly, permission has been granted to the Chemical Paper Co. to supply labels for marking meat and meat-food products at official establishments where the management desires to use such labels in lieu of bureau and house brands. All orders for these labels shall be made by the official establishments directly on the manufacturer, and the labels will be shipped by the manufacturer directly to the inspector in charge, who shall retain them in his possession and supply them to the establishment as needed. Settlement for the labels will be made by official establishments directly with the manufacturer. Whenever a supply of these labels is received for use at an official establishment, samples should be forwarded to the Washington laboratory by the inspector in charge and their use withheld pending the receipt of a report indicating that they are satisfactory.

Unless the wording on the labels is in exact duplication of previously approved gelatin labels or blue prints thereof, copies should also be forwarded to the bureau for approval, under the provisions of paragraph 1, section 3, Regulation 17, B. A. I. Order 211. When transmitting such copies, specific information should be furnished concerning the reasons for which they are submitted, i. e., whether for approval of wording or for laboratory analysis.

ANIMALS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL MEAT INSPECTION, JULY, 1920.¹

Station.	Cattle.	Calves.	Sheep.	Goats.	Swine.
Chicago.....	143,208	46,917	302,230	123	446,753
Fort Worth.....	38,676	28,782	11,824	952	13,128
Kansas City.....	87,732	26,125	72,903	327	158,195
National Stock Yards.....	39,384	18,985	68,649	101	106,434
Omaha.....	46,345	6,351	134,928	155,379
St. Louis.....	17,027	6,149	11,015	103,312
Sioux City.....	16,776	2,051	6,419	3	105,314
South St. Joseph.....	20,564	7,317	53,534	116,450
South St. Paul.....	17,204	30,563	11,885	144,842
All other establishments.....	234,256	169,525	375,041	160	1,293,965
Total: July, 1920.....	661,172	342,765	1,048,428	1,706	2,643,772
July, 1919.....	854,797	399,966	1,160,470	2,259	2,884,325
7 months ended July, 1920.....	4,728,018	2,503,138	5,821,321	27,076	24,048,563
7 months ended July, 1919.....	5,302,908	2,301,778	6,289,682	37,740	27,119,032

¹ Horses slaughtered, at all establishments, July, 1920, 35.

IMPORTS OF FOOD ANIMALS AND OF MEATS AND MEAT FOOD PRODUCTS.

The statements following show the imports of food animals and of meats and meat food products inspected by the Bureau of Animal Industry during July, 1920, with figures for other periods for comparison.

Imports of food animals.

Country of export.	Cattle.	Swine.	Sheep.	Goats.
Mexico.....	2, \$37			
Canada.....	19,737	116	2,329	1,562
Great Britain.....	117			8
Total: July, 1920.....	22,691	116	2,329	1,570
July, 1919.....	36,100	566	1,075	600
7 months ended July, 1920.....	143,722	643	23,708	10,883
7 months ended July, 1919	225,863	17,643	43,739	3,081

Imports of meats and meat food products.

Country of export.	Fresh and refrigerated.		Canned and cured.	Other products.	Total weight.
	Beef.	Other.			
Argentina.....	Pounds. 15,100	Pounds.	Pounds. 40,800	Pounds. 277,421	Pounds. 333,321
Australia.....		128,556	359,856		488,412
Canada.....	3,676,039	777,378	91,704	3,306	4,548,427
New Zealand.....		96,516			96,516
Uruguay.....			46,435		46,435
Other countries.....	320,510		9,412	12,763	342,685
Total: July, 1920.....	4,011,649	1,002,450	548,207	293,490	5,855,796
July, 1919.....	3,315,133	946,416	309,031	1,114,713	5,685,293
7 months ended July, 1920.....	17,086,869	29,036,471	2,874,534	3,873,270	52,871,144
7 months ended July, 1919	19,470,781	9,892,466	30,244,528	5,513,231	65,121,006

Condemned in July, 1920: Beef, 24,342 pounds.

Refused entry: Pork, 55 pounds.

FOREIGN OFFICIALS AUTHORIZED TO SIGN INSPECTION CERTIFICATES FOR MEAT AND PRODUCTS FOR IMPORTATION INTO THE UNITED STATES.

The following are additional names, addresses, and facsimile signatures of foreign national Government officials authorized to sign and issue certificates of inspection for meat and meat food products offered for importation into the United States:

Country, name, and address.	Signature.
CANADA.	
R. J. Bowerman, 1127 Keele Street, Toronto, Ontario.	<i>R.J. Bowerman</i>
W. J. Drennan, 1127 Keele Street, Toronto, Ontario.	<i>W.J. Drennan!</i>
J. D. Hogan, 1127 Keele Street, Toronto, Ontario.	<i>J.D. Hogan.</i>
R. M. Mason, 1127 Keele Street, Toronto, Ontario.	<i>R.M. Mason</i>

Country, name, and address.	Signature.
Jas. E. Nesbitt, 1127 Keele Street, Toronto, Ontario.	<i>Jas E. Nesbitt</i>
E. S. Notting, 1127 Keele Street, Toronto, Ontario.	<i>E. S. Notting</i>
H. Garrett, 711 Boyd Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba.	<i>H. Garrett</i>
J. L. Gleason, 711 Boyd Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba.	<i>J. L. Gleason</i>
Norman Macleod, 711 Boyd Building, Winnipeg, Manitoba.	<i>norman macleod</i>
H. G. McDonald, 1 Common Street, Montreal, Quebec.	<i>H. G. McDonald</i>
JAPAN.	
O. Nakano.	<i>O. Nakano</i>
URUGUAY.	<i>Pedro Seoane</i>

Names Removed from List.

Names and addresses of foreign officials whose authority to sign and issue foreign meat-inspection certificates for meat and products exported to the United States has been revoked by their national Governments:

CHINA.

Heikichi Deguchi, Tsingtau; K. Kitazato, Tsingtau.

* JAPAN.

Otoshiro Aburakawa.

URUGUAY.

Ernesto A. Bauza, Pedro Onetony Viana, Teodoro Visaires.

INSPECTION AND TESTING OF ANIMALS FOR CANADA.

The following changes have been made in the list of practicing veterinarians registered by the bureau and authorized to inspect and test with mallein horses, mules, and asses intended for export to Canada:

Name Added to List.

Dr. A. T. Ostendorf, Red Lake Falls, Minn.

Names Removed from List.

Dr. H. B. Newell, Thief River Falls, Minn.

Dr. M. B. Purdy, Perham, Minn.

LICENSES FOR VETERINARY BIOLOGICAL PRODUCTS.

The following changes have been made in the list of licenses for the manufacture of veterinary biological products for the year 1920 under the act of Congress of March 4, 1913 (37 Stat., 832), and the regulations made thereunder (B. A. I. Order 265):

Licenses Issued.

License No.	Date.	Name and address of firm.	Products.
112-A	1920. Aug. 2	Fort Dodge Serum Co. (Inc.), 600½ Central Avenue, Fort Dodge, Iowa.	Hemorrhagic septicemia bacterin (rabbits).
147	Aug. 24	Hygienic Manufacturing Laboratories, 607 Massachusetts Building, Eighth and Wall Streets, Kansas City, Kans.	Autogenous bacterin.

On account of having discontinued production, United States veterinary license No. 129, issued under dates of December 20, 1919, and March 25 and April 2, 1920, to the Eagle Laboratories, Sixth Street and Minnesota Avenue, Kansas City, Kans., was canceled on August 13, 1920.

QUANTITIES OF ANTIHOG-CHOLERA SERUM AND HOG-CHOLERA VIRUS PRODUCED, JUNE AND JULY, 1920.

Months.	Serum.		Simultaneous virus.		Hyperim- munizing virus.
	Ordinary.	Clear.	Ordinary.	Clear.	
June.....	c. c. 51,053,643	c. c. 4,834,168	c. c. 2,491,414	c. c. 83,846	c. c. 9,619,552
July.....	39,792,842	4,903,278	2,490,293	64,625	10,447,518

SUMMARY OF TUBERCULOSIS-ERADICATION WORK IN COOPERATION WITH STATES, JULY, 1920.

Station.	States.	Tuberculin tests.			Total once-tested herds in the State.	Total accredited herds in the State.	Inspector in charge.	State official.
		Herd or lots.	Cattle tested.	Reacted.				
Albany, N. Y.	N. Y.	136	2,669	441	228	49	H. B. Leonard...	D. W. McLaury, Albany.
Atlanta, Ga.	Ga.	24	645	5	176	8	W. M. MacKellar...	P. F. Bahnsen, Atlanta.
Augusta, Me.	Me.	57	762	10	423	93	J. B. Reidy...	W. H. Lynch, Augusta.
Baltimore, Md.	Md.	70	697	40	144	94	T. A. Ladson...	R. C. Reed, Baltimore.
Birmingham, Ala.	Ala.	61	770	2	293	32	C. J. Becker...	C. A. Cary, Auburn.
Bismarck, N. Dak.	N. Dak.	115	1,431	39	1,047	173	H. H. Cohenour...	W. F. Crewe, Bismarck.
Boston, Mass.	Mass.	14	331	27	36	24	E. A. Crossman...	L. H. Howard, Boston.
Do.	R. I.	4	45	3	11	6	do.	J. S. Pollard, Providence.
Do.	N. H.	1	2	2	30	7	do.	A. L. Felker, Concord.
Charleston, W. Va.	W. Va.	108	1,032	3	554	40	Geo. W. Neff...	J. H. Stewart, Charleston.
Chicago, Ill.	Ill.	80	1,600	77	307	80	J. J. Lintner...	A. T. Peters, Springfield.
Columbia, S. C.	S. C.	58	867	3	193	36	W. K. Lewis...	W. K. Lewis, Clemson College.
Columbus, Ohio.	Ohio	143	1,517	35	778	114	Leo E. Davis...	T. A. Burnett, Columbus.
Des Moines, Iowa	Iowa	338	7,094	705	465	47	F. H. Thompson...	P. Malcolm, Des Moines.
Fort Worth, Tex.	Tex.	38	1,105	30	54	1	R. E. Jackson...	L. G. Cloud, Fort Worth.
Frankfort, Ky.	Ky.	68	1,042	18	307	61	W. F. Biles...	S. F. Musselman, Frankfort.
Harrisburg, Pa.	Pa.	188	2,361	86	592	284	P. E. Quinn...	T. E. Mumee, Harrisburg.
Hartford, Conn.	Conn.	17	308	53	49	19	E. I. Smith...	J. M. Whittlesey, Hartford.
Helena, Mont.	Mont.	167	1,881	25	112	49	R. Snyder...	W. J. Butler, Helena.
Indianapolis, Ind.	Ind.	259	3,120	113	567	127	E. B. Haskin...	L. E. Northrup, Indianapolis.
Jackson, Miss.	Miss.	54	842	15	300	66	J. A. Barger...	H. Chadwick Jackson.
Jefferson City, Mo.	Mo.	70	1,560	13	621	8	Ralph Graham...	D. F. Luckey, Jefferson City.
Lansing, Mich.	Mich.	47	949	17	16	149	T. S. Rich...	H. H. Halladay, Lansing.
Lincoln, Nebr.	Nebr.	45	652	15	185	35	C. H. Hays...	W. T. Spencer, Lincoln.
Little Rock, Ark.	Ark.	5	163	—	63	13	J. H. Bux...	R. M. Gow, Little Rock.
Madison, Wis.	Wis.	164	3,614	58	816	302	J. S. Healy...	C. P. Norgord, Madison.
Montpelier, Vt.	Vt.	167	2,149	121	864	71	A. J. De Fosset...	E. S. Brigham, Montpelier.
Nashville, Tenn.	Tenn.	58	1,029	5	254	93	Robert Jay...	M. Jacob, Nashville.
Oklahoma, Okla.	Okla.	110	1,821	29	188	1	W. C. Drake, Jr.	J. A. Whitehurst, Okla.
Pierre, S. Dak.	S. Dak.	40	842	47	155	15	J. O. Wilson...	A. E. Beaumont, Pierre.
Portland, Oreg.	Oreg.	213	2,919	25	168	35	S. B. Foster...	W. H. Lytle, Salem.
Do.	Wash.	476	6,166	91	152	22	do.	L. C. Pefton, Olympia.
Richmond, Va.	Va.	107	1,184	19	387	337	R. E. Brookbank...	J. G. Ferneyhough, Richmond.
Do.	N. C.	77	1,163	6	301	111	do.	Wm. Moore, Raleigh.
St. Paul, Minn.	Minn.	201	3,497	141	1,056	500	W. J. Fretz...	C. E. Cotton, St. Paul.
Salt Lake City, Utah.	Utah.	155	1,685	5	198	33	F. E. Murray...	R. W. Hoggan, Salt Lake City.
Do.	Idaho.	140	1,919	56	313	8	do.	J. D. Adams, Boise.
Do.	Nev.	140	1,124	29	136	1	do.	Edv. Records, Reno.
Tallahassee, Fla.	Fla.	183	1,522	15	925	26	J. G. Fish...	J. W. DeMilly, Tallahassee.
Topeka, Kans.	Kans.	32	1,035	37	82	82	H. M. Graefe...	J. H. Mercer, Topeka.
Trenton, N. J.	N. J.	16	149	32	23	27	W. G. Middleton...	J. H. McNeil, Trenton.
Do.	Del.	67	828	108	70	10	do.	Wesley Webb, Dover.
Washington, D.C.	D. C.	21	33	—	11	8	J. A. Kiernan...	
Total.		4,534	66,115	2,598	13,650	3,290		

PERMITTED DISINFECTANTS.

In accordance with the provisions of B. A. I. Order 263, the bureau has granted permission for the use of the following saponified cresol solutions as substitutes for compound solution of cresol, U. S. P., in the general disinfection of cars, yards, and other premises:

Revised List.

Atlas 50% Cresol Compound, Chipman Chemical Engineering Co. (Inc.), 95 Liberty Street, New York City.

Barrett's Cresol Compound, The Barrett Co., New York, N. Y.

Cooper's Saponified Cresol Solution, Wm. Cooper & Nephews, Chicago, Ill.
Cre-O-Cris, Rochester Germicide Co., Rochester, N. Y.
Cre-Septic, Theo. B. Robertson Products Co., Chicago, Ill.
Crestall Dip, Baird & McGuire, Boston, Mass.
Germo-Cresolis, Germo Manufacturing Co., St. Louis, Mo.
Glidden Shur-Shot Disinfectant, the Glidden Company, Cleveland, Ohio.
Karspray, West Disinfecting Co., New York, N. Y.
Key-State Disinfectant, Interstate Chemical Co., Jersey City, N. J.
Li-Cresol, The Jensen-Salsbery Laboratories, 21st and Penn Streets, Kansas
City, Mo.
Lieresolis, West Disinfecting Co., New York, N. Y.
Midland Cresol Compound, Midland Chemical Co., Dubuque, Iowa.
" NSCO " Cresol Compound, National Supply Co., Birmingham, Ala.
Pennsylvania Railroad Saponified Cresol Solution, Pennsylvania Railroad
Company, Altoona, Pa.
Rizdol Compound Dip and Spray, Sanatory Chemical Company, 142 North
Third Street, Louisville, Ky.
Roger's 50% Cresol Solution, Detroit White Lead Works, Chicago, Ill.
Sapo-Cresol-Special, Cremoline Disinfecting Co., St. Louis, Mo.
Sherwin-Williams 50% Cresol Solution, The Sherwin-Williams Co., Chicago,
Ill.
Standard Saponified Cresol Solution, The Standard Chemical Co., Tacoma,
Wash.
Van Schaack's Liquor Cresolis Comp, Peter Van Schaak & Sons, Chicago, Ill.

AMENDMENTS TO THE FISCAL REGULATIONS.

PURCHASES, JOB WORK, TELEGRAMS, IDENTIFICATION CARDS, TRAVELING EXPENSES.

By memorandum No. 319 of the Secretary of Agriculture, dated July 12, 1920, effective July 16, 1920, paragraphs 29, 53, 86 (c), and 86 (h) of the Fiscal Regulations are amended to read as follows:

29. *Purchases and job work requiring approval by the Secretary.*—All orders for job work or for the purchase of supplies in excess of \$200 must be approved by the Secretary, except in the case of the Weather Bureau, the Forest Service, and the Bureau of Public Roads, which may issue purchase orders for amounts not exceeding \$500, and except in the case of the Forest Service and the Bureau of Public Roads, which may, for amounts less than \$2,500, let contracts for road construction station work and issue purchase orders for supplies, materials, or equipment required exclusively for the construction and maintenance of roads or trails within or partly within the national forests; but no automobiles, motor boats, or other motor-driven vehicles, no cameras or lenses, and no medicines for personal use (see par 86, sec. (m)) shall be purchased without specific authority of the Secretary. The approval of the Secretary must be secured to accounts for supplies and services procured under letters of authorization in amounts greater than the limitations above prescribed when such accounts are not based upon proposals or purchase orders previously approved by him.

53. *Indorsement of and payment for telegrams; identification cards.*—All telegraph messages relating to the business of the department should be indorsed, "U. S. Official Business, Government Rate." Messages, except those reserving hotel accommodations, sent from or to Washington, D. C., should not be paid for by the persons sending or receiving the same, except where payment is demanded as a condition to the transmission or delivery of the message. Telegrams reserving hotel accommodations must be prepaid at the Government

rate and a copy of the prepaid message should support the claim for reimbursement. Telegrams not prepaid should have the additional words, "Charge Department of Agriculture, Bureau of _____," written or stamped upon the face thereof, and the agent, operator, or messenger should be directed to have the same included in the company's monthly bill. Telegraph messages between points in the field should be prepaid at the Government rate by the employee, where payment is demanded as a condition to the transmission or delivery, and a copy of each prepaid message should support the claim for reimbursement. Identification cards for presentation to agents may be obtained upon application, through the chief of bureau, to the chief clerk of the department. These identification cards must not be used to avoid the payment of commercial rates on any business not a proper charge against the Government.

86. *Actual traveling expenses defined.*—(c) Porter fees on coastwise, river, or lake steamers and sleeping cars, except where such cars are used for seating accommodations only, will be allowed not to exceed 25 cents for each car, or for each 24 hours or fraction thereof. Porters' fees not to exceed 10 cents will be allowed in each instance when seat accommodations are obtained in parlor or chair cars or sleeping cars: *Provided*, That reimbursement for the payment of any fee herein mentioned will not be allowed in States in which the payment of such fee is prohibited by law. (See Appendix F.)

(h) Except as provided in paragraph 86 (v), customary charges for subsistence expenses, not to exceed in the aggregate \$5 for any one day, may be allowed, and will include all expenses incurred for meals, lodging, bath, personal use of room at hotel during the day time, waiter fees not exceeding 30 cents in any one day; fees for checking and porterage of baggage upon arrival at and departure from hotels not to exceed 10 cents for porterage of, and 10 cents for checking, each piece; laundry to be included in subsistence expenses for the date on which paid; telegrams to hotels reserving accommodations to be included in subsistence expenses for the initial date of the period for which the accommodations are occupied (but not telegrams reserving Pullman accommodations, which are not items of subsistence but of travel expense, and may be reimbursed in addition as such when the necessity for the expense is satisfactorily explained); and all other subsistence expenses. Charges for laundry at an average rate not exceeding 20 cents a day for each day while in travel status. Charges incurred for laundry at official headquarters at the termination of a trip will not be allowed. Receipts for laundry must be submitted or a written statement filed with the account showing the impracticability of obtaining such receipts. A charge for lodging at a hotel and a charge for sleeping berth for the same night will be allowed only when accompanied by a definite statement of necessity: *Provided*, That reimbursement for the payment of any fee herein mentioned will not be allowed in States in which the payment of such fee is prohibited by law. (See Appendix F.)

Note.—With reference to the clause, "laundry to be included in subsistence expenses for the date on which paid" section (h) of the above it should be understood that the comptroller has ruled in cases where a hotel includes a laundry charge in its bill that the charge should be added to the subsistence expense of the day on which the laundry was delivered to the hotel as shown by laundry slips and not to the day on which the employee settled his hotel bill.

TRAVELING EXPENSES.

By memorandum No. 324 of the Secretary of Agriculture, dated and effective August 11, 1920, section (e) of paragraph 86 of the Fiscal Regulations is amended to read as follows:

86. *Actual traveling expenses defined.*

(e) Street car, transfer coach, and omnibus fares will be allowed if the charge is not in excess of locally prevailing rates. Personal transfers as herein provided will be allowed between hotels only when satisfactorily explained. Tips to drivers and chauffeurs will not be allowed. Transfers of baggage will be allowed when the charge is not in excess of locally prevailing rates. In cases of public necessity taxicab hire will also be allowed, but a satisfactory explanation of necessity must accompany claim. Unless such public necessity is shown taxicab hire will not be allowed in the following cases:

1. If the depot, hotel, or other place the employee is required to visit on official business is within walking distance.
2. If due to inclement weather.
3. If due to unfamiliarity with the city.
4. If due to the fact that hand baggage is being carried.

When properly explained, storage charges may be allowed on baggage containing Government property, private property for Government use, or personal baggage.

LETTERS OF AUTHORIZATION.

By memorandum No. 326 of the Secretary of Agriculture, dated and effective August 17, 1920, paragraph 4 of the Fiscal Regulations is amended to read as follows:

4. *General letters of authorization by secretary.*—The Secretary, on or before the beginning of each fiscal year, will issue a general letter of authorization to each chief of bureau, authorizing him during that year, within the terms of the appropriations specified in the letter, (a) to direct in writing employees of his bureau to perform routine travel within the continental United States, in conformity with law, the decisions of the Comptroller of the Treasury, and the Fiscal Regulations, and to allow per diems in lieu of subsistence when desirable, at rates fixed by the Secretary in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 82; (b) to issue purchase orders for supplies and for job work in amounts not exceeding \$500 in the Weather Bureau, \$500 in the Forest Service, \$500 in the Bureau of Public Roads; but in case of the Forest Service and Bureau of Public Roads, purchase orders in amounts less than \$2,500 may also be issued for supplies, materials, or equipment required exclusively for the construction and maintenance of roads or trails under the provisions of the 10 per cent forest road and trail provisions, section 8 of the Federal aid road act, general improvement funds, and, with the prior approval of the Secretary, specific cooperative funds deposited for road improvement work; and \$200 in each other bureau, for a single order; (c) to incur other miscellaneous expenses, except in connection with advertising, the purchase of medicines for personal use, the purchase of cameras and lenses, the purchase of motor-driven vehicles or boats, and the employment of stenographic or typewriting service in the field other than as provided in paragraph 86, section (n), as may be necessary properly to carry on the work of the bureau; and (d) to empower his subordinates to direct routine travel and incur necessary expenses within the limits of the authority conferred on him by his letter of authorization from the Secretary. The total liabilities to be incurred under a letter of authorization will be limited to the quarterly allotments annually approved by the Secretary in accordance with law.

AMENDMENTS TO THE PROPERTY REGULATIONS.

NONEXPENDABLE PROPERTY.

Memorandum No. 322 of the office of the Secretary, dated August 7, 1920, reads as follows:

Articles of public property heretofore regarded as nonexpendable only when costing more than 25 cents will hereafter be regarded as nonexpendable only when costing over 50 cents, if intended for use in Washington, or over \$1 if intended for use in the field. These articles are marked with an asterisk in Appendix B of the Property Regulations of the department, which appendix is amended accordingly.

SALE OR OTHER DISPOSITION OF PROPERTY.

By memorandum No. 323 of the office of the Secretary, dated August 10, 1920, paragraph 9 of the Property Regulations is amended to read as follows:

9. *Sale or other disposition of property in general.*—Articles for which the department has no further use and articles which have become unserviceable will be submitted to a board of survey for sale or other disposition. In Washington such articles will be submitted to the department board of survey. For

action concerning such articles outside of Washington special boards of survey will be appointed upon recommendation of the chief of bureau. Recommendations for the appointment of special boards of survey shall be supported by descriptions of the articles to be disposed of, together with statements of the specific reasons therefor.

When any board of survey has decided that articles shall be sold, the sale will be advertised by notifying interested parties by letter, circular, or poster. No expense will be allowed for advertising in newspapers except by specific written authority of the Secretary. When property has been sold the board of survey will pay all expenses, take receipts therefor, and remit the net proceeds by postal money order, bank draft, or cash to the disbursing clerk of the department or appropriate fiscal agent, to be deposited in the Treasury to the credit of miscellaneous receipts. No department property shall be disposed of by private sale unless the Secretary shall so direct.

The Forester and the Chief of the Bureau of Public Roads are authorized to sell at field stations of the Forest Service and the Bureau of Public Roads, after public notice, by advertisement or otherwise, in like manner and subject to the same restrictions as herein prescribed for boards of survey, such articles of equipment as are worn out or damaged beyond repair, or which are of no further use in the service, but have a sale value estimated at \$500 or less. The Forester and the Chief of the Bureau of Public Roads may delegate this authority to district foresters and district engineers, respectively. This authority may also be delegated by the Chief of the Bureau of Public Roads to the Chief of the Equipment Division of that bureau.

It shall be the duty of each board of survey to see to the destruction of all property which it has condemned and ordered to be destroyed. At least one member of the board shall be present when the property is destroyed, and when proper destruction has been effected, shall make and submit to the Secretary a certificate to that effect.

The transfer of property in the field from one branch of a bureau to another shall be made only upon the approval of the chief of bureau.

The transfer of property in the field from one bureau to another shall be made only upon the approval of the Secretary.

The sale of property in the field by one bureau to another is prohibited. (See Administrative Regulations.)

USE OF TRANSPORTATION REQUESTS.

The bureau is in receipt of a memorandum under date of August 10 from the Secretary's office relative to the use of transportation requests in securing sleeping and parlor-car accommodations, reading as follows:

On April 1, 1919, transportation companies generally issued the following instructions governing the exchange of Government transportation requests for sleeping and parlor-car accommodations:

"Transportation requests may be presented to ticket agents and the accommodations called for by the requests, when available, will be reserved and entered on the request.

"The ticket agent will indicate on the request, in the space provided for showing the form and number of passage ticket, the specific space to be furnished, that is, berth or seat number, car number, train time, and unless already shown by the request, the name of the initial road. Proper notation will then be made by the ticket agent on his office diagram, and the request returned to the holder for surrender to the first Pullman conductor.

"If, after a reservation has been made, the trip is abandoned, the ticket agent should be notified immediately so that the space can be released. It will be permissible, if the request is returned to the ticket agent before departure of the train, for him to erase the reservation from his diagram and the request, and enter a new reservation thereon.

"All transportation requests will be lifted by the initial sleeping or parlor-car conductor, who will provide transfer checks where necessary."

Although these rules have been in operation for more than a year, many of our travelers still seem to find them confusing. It is therefore suggested that the accounting officers of the several bureaus of this department bring these

instructions to the notice of prospective travelers, and that special attention be invited to the facts that—

1. The ticket agent will enter on the transportation request the reservation and train.
 2. The transportation request is not to be surrendered to the ticket agent, but to the Pullman conductor.
 3. When through travel is involved, the transportation request should be made out for through accommodations, without regard to the number of roads involved or definite reservation beyond the first transfer point. The rules of the Pullman lines are clear in providing for the acceptance of through transportation requests and the issuance by the first Pullman conductor of a transfer check to the connecting line.
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PARLOR AND SLEEPING-CAR FARES.

The procedure adopted by the several passenger associations in connection with the surcharge on transportation in parlor and sleeping cars which the Interstate Commerce Commission has granted the railroads, effective August 26, 1920, is as follows:

Surcharges will be collected by the agent from whom the parlor or sleeping-car accommodations are procured and at the time they are procured. Government transportation requests drawn for parlor or sleeping-car space will be presumed to cover the surcharge. Space will be assigned and bills rendered against the Government by Pullman or other parlor or sleeping-car companies accordingly. The surcharge applies on the space occupied regardless of the number of occupants.

NEW PUBLICATIONS OF THE BUREAU.

[The bureau keeps no mailing list for sending publications to individual employees, but publications are sent in bulk to officers in charge for distribution to members of their forces. The number of copies sent varies with the subject or nature of the publication and the number and class of employees. Officers in charge will use their judgment and distribute publications to best advantage. So far as possible additional copies will be furnished on request.]

Farmers' Bulletin 684. Squab Raising. (Revision.) By Alfred R. Lee, Animal Husbandry Division. Pp. 24, figs. 12.

Farmers' Bulletin 713. Sheep Scab. (Revision.) By Marion Imes, Zoological Division. Pp. 36, figs. 20.

Yearbook Separate 802. Progress in Eradicating Contagious Animal Diseases. By John R. Mohler, Chief, Bureau of Animal Industry. Pp. 10.

Yearbook Separate 816. Harnessing Heredity to Improve the Nation's Live Stock. By D. S. Burch, Editor, Bureau of Animal Industry. Pp. 8.

Amendment 1 to B. A. I. Order 265, governing the preparation, sale, barter, exchange, shipment, and importation of viruses, serums, toxins, and analogous products intended for use in the treatment of domestic animals. Effective August 1, 1920. Pp. 4.

Amendment 3 to B. A. I. Order 263, governing the interstate movement of livestock, modifying Regulation 7. Effective September 1, 1920. Pp. 4.

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POSTMASTERS CONTINUE COOPERATION IN SALE OF GOVERNMENT SAVINGS SECURITIES.

According to advices received by the Savings Division of the Treasury Department, the National League of Postmasters, in convention at Minneapolis, August 18 and 19, by resolution pledged its members to continue the cooperation which they have extended so heartily in the past in promoting steady saving, wise spending, and sound investment through the purchase of Government securities.

The resolution follows:

Whereas the economic situation facing this country to-day is one in which every citizen is vitally interested; and

Whereas the Government of these United States, through the savings movement of the Treasury Department, is encouraging wise buying, wise spending, and systematic saving and investing in Government securities; and

Whereas the members of the National League of Postmasters have for three years acted as the principal agent for the sales of savings securities and extended their fullest cooperation to the success of the savings movement; Be it therefore

Resolved, That the members of the National League of Postmasters in convention assembled at Minneapolis the 18th day of August, 1920, hereby pledge themselves to continue their cooperation to the greatest possible extent by urging and encouraging the investment by individuals, corporations, and associations in Government securities.



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